



The Physician's BOOKSHELF

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MANUAL OF PREOPERATIVE AND POSTOPERATIVE CARE—Committee on Pre- and Postoperative Care, American College of Surgeons—Editorial Subcommittee: Henry T. Randall, M.D., Chairman, James D. Hardy, M.D., and Francis D. Moore, M.D. W. B. Saunders Company, West Washington Square, Philadelphia, Pa. (19105), 1967. 506 pages, \$8.50.

This publication is a highly readable and compact manual addressing the problems of preoperative and postoperative care of the surgical patient on both a theoretical and practical basis. The individual sections are written by surgeons of considerable proficiency and stature in their fields. Their contributions have been nicely edited and integrated by the Committee on Pre- and Postoperative Care of the American College of Surgeons.

The format is divided into two sections: general principles and the management of problems associated with the various organ systems. In most areas, sufficient detail is incorporated into the text, while treatment in other areas is somewhat superficial and elementary. In general, however, the coverage is appropriate in breadth and depth. Particularly outstanding are the sections on fluid and electrolyte therapy, metabolic response to injury and the cardiovascular system in the care of the surgical patient.

I highly recommend this manual as both a quick and complete review for the busy surgeon and as a reference work for physicians in training. I would recommend it even more vigorously to medical specialists who deal with patients in the postsurgical period.

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HANDBOOK OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY—Seventh Edition—Alfred R. Shands, Jr., B.A., M.D., F.A.C.S., Medical Director of the Alfred I. duPont Institute of the Nemours Foundation; Visiting Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery (Emeritus), University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia; R. Beverly Raney, Sr., B.A., M.D., F.A.C.S., Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery and Chairman of Division of Orthopaedic Surgery, University of North Carolina School of Medicine; with the collaboration of H. Robert Brashear, B.A., M.D., F.A.C.S., Associate Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, University of North Carolina School of Medicine, Chapel Hill. The C. V. Mosby Company, 3207 Washington Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. (63103), 1967. 572 pages, 269 illustrations, 85 pages of bibliography, \$12.00.

In this 7th edition, more comprehensive coverage has been skillfully achieved. Whereas the earlier editions were principally for non-orthopedic physicians, medical students, and paramedical groups, the present edition, while it has the same appeal in non-orthopedic disciplines, is well suited for orthopedists.

The authors, distinguished orthopedic surgeons and educators, are eminently qualified for the arduous task of writing an orthopedic textbook. The medical world is indebted to them for their classic, and for astutely keeping it up to date. The fact that the book has spanned 30

years and is now in its 7th edition is testimony to its usefulness and popularity.

As would be anticipated, additional space has been allocated to those entities and techniques which have moved up in clinical importance, and less coverage given entities such as poliomyelitis, which fortunately, have moved far down the clinical ladder.

In the first 15 chapters, related entities are grouped together; the last seven chapters present entities as they involve specific skeletal system articulations and regions.

The 269 illustrations, uniformly of high quality, include numerous radiograms reproduced in the positive. Because no textbook with broad coverage can present sufficient information to satisfy the earnest student, the authors have appropriately included 85 pages of bibliography updated to 1967.

The publisher deserves commendation for the exceptionally fine physical qualities he has given to this time-tested book.

As in all of the scientific disciplines, the area of knowledge in orthopedic surgery is increasing at a phenomenal rate. This places heavy responsibility on authors of textbooks. Doctors Shands and Raney and their collaborator, Doctor Brashear, have ably met this challenge.

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COCCIDIOIDOMYCOSIS—Papers from the Second Symposium on Coccidioidomycosis—Edited by Libero Ajello, National Communicable Disease Center, U.S. Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare, Atlanta. Publication Arrangements Under the Direction of the Arizona State Department of Health. The University of Arizona Press, P.O. Box 3398, College Station, Tucson, Arizona (85700), 1967. 434 pages, \$15.00.

Before reviewing the proceedings of this Second Symposium on Coccidioidomycosis, which was held in Phoenix, Arizona, on 8 to 10 December 1965, one must recall the First Symposium which was also held in Phoenix on 11 to 13 February 1957. The collection of papers that comprised the proceedings of this First Symposium numbered 31, and 250 persons were in attendance. Since then the proceedings of the First Symposium have become a collector's item; the number of copies printed being far short of the final demand.

The number of papers presented at the Second Symposium totalled 63, and a comparison of the two groups of presentations is indicative of the advance in knowledge of coccidioidomycosis, particularly in treatment, that has occurred during the interval between 1957 and 1965.

The Second Symposium has an international aspect with the attendance of 63 persons from outside of the United States, including representatives of South America, Central America and England. The total registration for the Second Symposium reached a total of 458. The international speakers emphasized the existence of coc-